

SENATE BILL 37

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 6, Part 1, relative to the jurisdiction and authority of the attorney general and reporter.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

8-6-113.

(a) The attorney general and reporter has concurrent jurisdiction and authority with the appropriate district attorney general to conduct a criminal investigation and to initiate the criminal prosecution of cases involving corruption of a public official and misuse of a public office by a public official.

(b) When acting pursuant to this section, the attorney general and reporter shall have all of the powers and authority conferred by § 8-6-112(b), (c), and (e).

(c) As used in this section, "public official" means a person in the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, who holds an elected office.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.